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PROGRAMME OF MEETINGS AND AGENDA

SCHEDULED MEETINGS

Friday, 6 November 1998

SECURITY COUNCIL

3.30 p.m.	consultations of the whole (closed)	Consultation Room

Burundi

Briefing by the Secretariat

The situation between Eritrea and Ethiopia

Briefing by the Secretariat

Croatia (S/1998/1004)*

Other matters

Afternoon**	3940th meeting	Security Council Chamber

1. Adoption of the agenda
2. The situation in Guinea-Bissau

   Letter dated 3 November 1998 from the Permanent Representative of Nigeria to the United Nations addressed to the President of the Security Council (S/1998/1028)

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* Possibly followed by a formal meeting, to be held following the adjournment of the 3940th meeting.

** To be held following the adjournment of the consultations of the whole.

MILITARY STAFF COMMITTEE

11 a.m.-1 p.m.	1391st meeting (closed)	Conference Room 9

GENERAL ASSEMBLY

Fifty-third session

Committees

FIRST COMMITTEE

10 a.m.	25th meeting	Conference Room 2

Action on all draft resolutions submitted under agenda items 63 to 80

[Documents of the First Committee (A/C.1/53/INF.1)]

SECOND COMMITTEE

10 a.m.	35th meeting	Trusteeship Council Chamber

1. Macroeconomic policy questions [91]

   (a) Trade and Development

   Introduction of draft resolution A/C.2/53/L.26

2. Sustainable development and international economic co-operation [93]

   (c) Implementation of the outcome of the United Nations Conference on Human Settlements (Habitat II)

   Introduction of draft resolution A/C.2/53/L.31

3. Environment and sustainable development [94]

   (a) Implementation of the follow-up to the outcome of the United Nations Conference on Environment and Development, including the outcome of the nineteenth special session of the General Assembly for the purpose of an overall review and appraisal of the implementation of Agenda 21

   Introduction of draft resolution A/C.2/53/L.25

   (d) Convention on biological diversity

   Introduction of draft resolution A/C.2/53/L.29

4. Implementation of the first United Nations Decade for the Eradication of Poverty (1997-2006) [98]

   Introduction of draft resolution A/C.2/53/L.27

Morning*-1 p.m.	informal consultations (closed)	Conference Room 6

Informal consultations on the following draft resolutions: A/C.2/53/L.17 (Implementing conventions related to environment (item 94)); A/C.2/53/L.18 (International Year of Microcredit (item 98); and A/C.2/53/L.21 (United Nations Environment Programme (item 94))

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* Following the adjournment of the 35th meeting of the Second Committee.

THIRD COMMITTEE

10 a.m.-1 p.m.	37th meeting	Conference Room 1
3 p.m.-6 p.m.	38th meeting	Conference Room 1

1. Right of peoples to self-determination [109]

   Introduction of draft resolution A/C.3/53/L.26

2. Human rights questions [110] (A/53/3, A/53/58, A/53/74, A/53/75, A/53/77-S/1998/171, A/53/79, A/53/80, A/53/94-S/1998/309, A/53/99-S/1998/344, A/53/131-S/1998/435, A/53/167, A/53/203, A/53/205-S/1998/711, A/53/214, A/53/215, A/53/225-S/1998/747, A/53/343, A/53/404, A/53/425, A/43/489, A/53/493, A/53/494, A/53/497-S/1998/951, A/53/557*, A/C.3/53/4, A/C.3/53/5, A/C.3/53/7 and A/53/165-S/1998/601, A/C.3/53/9, A/C.3/53/12, A/C.3/53/13)

   Human rights questions, including alternative approaches for improving the effective enjoyment of human rights and fundamental freedoms [110 (b)] (A/53/72-S/1998/156, A/53/81-S/1998/225, A/53/82-S/1998/229, A/53/83-S/1998/230, A/53/86-S/1998/240, A/53/89-S/1998/250, A/53/93-S/1998/291, A/53/95-S/1998/311, A/53/98-S/1998/335, A/53/113-S/1998/345, A/53/115-S/1998/365, A/53/268, A/53/279, A/53/284, A/53/293 and Add.1, A/53/304, A/53/309, A/53/313, A/53/324, A/53/337, A/53/400, A/53/501, A/C.3/53/6, A/C.3/53/L.5)

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* To be issued.

Human rights situations and reports of special rapporteurs and representatives [110 (c)] (A/53/84-S/1998/234, A/53/114, A/53/120, A/53/182-S/1998/669, A/53/188, A/53/322, A/53/355, A/53/364, A/53/365, A/53/366, A/53/367, A/53/402, A/53/423, A/53/433, A/53/490, A/53/504, A/53/530, A/53/537, A/53/539, A/53/563, A/C.3/53/3, A/C.3/53/8)

Report of the United Nations High Commissioner for Human Rights [110 (e)] (A/53/36, Suppl. No. 36)

Introduction and continuation of general discussion

Introductory statements by:

Special Representative of the Secretary-General for Human Rights in Cambodia

Special Representative of the Commission on Human Rights on the Situation of Human Rights in the Islamic Republic of Iran

Statement on behalf of the Special Rapporteur of the Commission on Human Rights on the Situation of Human Rights in Afghanistan

FIFTH COMMITTEE

10 a.m.- 1 p.m.	20th meeting	Conference Room 3

Appointments to fill vacancies in subsidiary organs and other appointments [17]

(a) Appointment of members of the Advisory Committee on Administrative and Budgetary Questions (A/53/101 and A/C.5/53/5)

(b) Appointment of members of the Committee on Contributions (A/53/102 and A/C.5/53/6)

(c) Appointment of a member of the Board of Auditors (A/53/103 and A/C.5/53/7)

(d) Confirmation of the appointment of members of the Investments Committee (A/53/104 and A/C.5/53/8)

(e) Appointment of members of the United Nations Administrative Tribunal (A/53/105 and A/C.5/53/9)

(f) International Civil Service Commission

(i) Appointment of members of the Commission (A/53/106 and A/C.5/53/10)

(ii) Designation of the Chairman and Vice-Chairman of the Commission (A/C.5/53/10/Add.1)

3 p.m.- 6 p.m.	21st meeting	Conference Room 3

1. United Nations common system [120] (A/53/30 and Corr.1, A/52/811 and A/C.5/53/27)

Continuation of general discussion

2. United Nations pension system [121] (A/53/9, A/C.5/53/18 and A/53/511)

Continuation of general discussion

SIXTH COMMITTEE

11.30 a.m. 1 p.m.	informal consultations (closed)	Conference Room 4

Informal consultations on the draft resolution concerning the International Law Commission (agenda item 150)

3 p.m.- 4 p.m.	informal consultations (closed)	Conference Room 4

Informal consultations on the draft resolution concerning the implementation of the provisions of the Charter relating to assistance to third States affected by the application of sanctions

4 p.m.- 6 p.m.	informal consultations (closed)	Conference Room 4

Informal consultations on the draft resolution concerning the United Nations Decade of International Law

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ADVISORY COMMITTEE ON ADMINISTRATIVE AND BUDGETARY QUESTIONS

3 p.m.- 6 p.m.	closed meeting	Conference Room 10

Subject

Draft report

UNITED NATIONS ADMINISTRATIVE TRIBUNAL

10.30 a.m.- 1 p.m.	closed meeting	Room DC2-469
2.30 p.m.- 6 p.m.	closed meeting	Room DC2-469

MEETINGS OTHER THAN MEETINGS OF UNITED NATIONS BODIES

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Friday, 6 November 1998

GROUP OF 77 OF THE SECOND COMMITTEE
(item 93 (c): Implementation of the outcome of the United Nations Conference on Human Settlements (Habitat); item 113: Development Account; 91 (a): Transit environment in the land-locked States in Central Asia and their transit developing neighbours)

10.30 a.m.-1 p.m.	closed meeting	Conference Room 8

AFRICAN GROUP: GROUP OF EXPERTS ON ECONOMIC MATTERS

11 a.m.-1 p.m.	closed meeting	Economic and Social Council Chamber

MOVEMENT OF NON-ALIGNED COUNTRIES:

WORKING GROUP ON DISARMAMENT

Morning*-2.45 p.m.	closed meeting	Conference Room 2

* Following the adjournment of the 25th meeting of the First Committee.

MOVEMENT OF NON-ALIGNED COUNTRIES:

WORKING GROUP ON HUMAN RIGHTS

3 p.m.-6 p.m.	closed meeting	Conference Room A

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Workshop

The United Nations Institute for Training and Research (UNITAR) will continue its French-language workshop on the structure, drafting and adoption of United Nations resolutions for members of permanent missions in New York *today*, 6 November 1998, from 3 p.m. to 6 p.m. in Conference Room 9.

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Meetings of co-sponsors

There will be a meeting of likely co-sponsors to discuss the draft resolution on the situation of human rights in Bosnia and Herzegovina, in Croatia and in the Federal Republic of Yugoslavia (agenda item 110 (c)) *today*, 6 November 1998, from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. at the United States Mission to the United Nations. Please reply to 415-4274.

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A meeting of co-sponsors of draft resolution A/C.1/53/L.42 entitled "Nuclear disarmament with a view to the ultimate elimination of nuclear weapons", organized by the delegation of Japan, will be held *today*, 6 November 1998, from 11 a.m. to 12 noon in Conference Room 7.

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Briefing

Ms. Pirkko Kourula, Head, Inter-Organization Affairs and Secretariat Services, UNHCR Headquarters, will hold a briefing for Member States on the report of the United Nations High Commissioner for Refugees to the General Assembly *today*, 6 November 1998, from 1.15 p.m. to 2.45 p.m. in Conference Room 5.

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Closed consultations among members of the Security Council and troop contributors on the United Nations Observer Mission in Angola (MONUA) will be held *today*, 6 November 1998, at 3 p.m. in the Economic and Social Council Chamber.

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Announcement

As from Wednesday, 4 November 1998, and for the rest of the month, the Presidency of the Security Council will conduct informal briefings on the current work of the Council for Member States of the United Nations which are non-members of the Council daily, except on days on which no informal consultations are scheduled. The briefings will take place at 1.15 p.m., or shortly after the adjournment of the informal consultations, in the Press Briefing Room (S-226).

FORTHCOMING MEETINGS

Monday, 9 November 1998

GENERAL ASSEMBLY

Fifty-third session

Committees

FIRST COMMITTEE

3 p.m.	26th meeting	Conference Room 2

SPECIAL POLITICAL AND DECOLONIZATION COMMITTEE (FOURTH COMMITTEE)

10 a.m.	17th meeting	Conference Room 2

SECOND COMMITTEE

10 a.m.	informal consultations (closed)	Conference Room 6
3 p.m.	informal consultations (closed)	Conference Room 6

THIRD COMMITTEE

3 p.m.	39th meeting	Conference Room 1

FIFTH COMMITTEE

10 a.m.	informal consultations (closed)	Conference Room 5
3 p.m.	22nd meeting	Conference Room 3
Afternoon*	informal consultations (closed)	Conference Room 5

* Following the adjournment of the 22nd meeting of the Fifth Committee.

SIXTH COMMITTEE

3 p.m.	23rd meeting	Conference Room 4

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ADVISORY COMMITTEE ON ADMINISTRATIVE AND BUDGETARY QUESTIONS

10.30 a.m.	closed meeting	Conference Room 10
3 p.m.	closed meeting	Conference Room 10

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INFORMAL CONSULTATIONS

Strengthening of the coordination of humanitarian and disaster relief assistance of the United Nations, including special economic assistance (item 20)

Informal Consultations on draft proposals under item 20 and its sub-items will be conducted by H.E. Mr. Jørgen Bøjer (Denmark) on Monday, 9 November 1998, at 3 p.m. in Conference Room 8.

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Committees

SECOND COMMITTEE

Panel discussion

A panel discussion on "Is there a Third Way: States and Markets in Socio-economic Development" will be held on Tuesday, 10 November 1998, from 11.30 a.m. to 1 p.m. The panellists are Professor Giddens of the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland, Director, London School of Economics and Political Science, and Chief Adviser to H.E. Mr. Tony Blair, Prime Minister of the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland, intellectual architect of the "Third Way" concept; Mr. Jacques Baudot of France, member of the Copenhagen Seminars for Social Progress; Professor Linda Lim of Singapore, Professor of Economics at the School of Business of Michigan University; and Mr. Kwame Pianim of Ghana, Chief Executive Officer, New Word Investment Ltd. (Ghana). Members of permanent missions, Secretariat staff, representatives and non-governmental organizations and the media are invited to attend.

Briefing

H.E. Mr. Poul Nielson, Minister for Development Cooperation, Denmark, Mr. Kwame Pianim, Economist (Ghana) and Professor Richard Falk, Princeton University (United States), will brief the Committee on "The Copenhagen Seminars for Social Progress: Denmark's contribution to the discussion on the follow-up to the World Summit for Social Development" on Wednesday, 11 November 1998, from 11 a.m. to 1 p.m. in the Economic and Social Council Chamber. Members of permanent missions, Secretariat staff, representatives and non-governmental organizations and the media are invited to attend.

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THIRD COMMITTEE

Informal consultations

The coordinator of the draft resolution on the Vienna Declaration and Programme of Action, Mr. Busacca (Italy), will hold informal consultations on Wednesday, 11 November 1998, from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. in Conference Room D. Copies of the revised text of the draft can be obtained in room S-2950.

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ECONOMIC AND SOCIAL COUNCIL

The Technical Subgroup of the Ad Hoc Open-ended Working Group on Informatics will meet, under the chairmanship of H.E. Mr. Ahmad Kamal (Pakistan), on Tuesday, 10 November 1998, at 10 a.m. sharp in Conference Room A.

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The Bureau of the Commission on the Status of Women invites delegations to propose names for panellists to participate in the session of the Commission acting as preparatory body for the high-level plenary review in the year 2000 (March 1999). Delegations are kindly requested to submit names and curricula vitae to the Division for the Advancement of Women (room DC2-1216), *no later than* Monday, 16 November 1998.

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United Nations Development Programme

The United Nations Development Programme will hold informal consultations on the *Human Development Report 1999* on Thursday, 12 November 1998, from 3 p.m. to 6 p.m. in Conference Room 8. Interested delegations are invited to attend.

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There will be a meeting of the Arab Group of the Whole *(at the ambassadorial level)* on Tuesday, 10 November 1998, at 11 a.m. in Conference Room 9.

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Briefing

In conjunction with agenda item 24 (Implementation of the United Nations New Agenda for the Development of Africa in the 1990s, including measures and recommendations agreed upon at its mid-term review), there will be a briefing, sponsored by the United Nations Educational, Scientific and Cultural Organization (UNESCO), on Monday, 9 November 1998, from 1.15 p.m. to 2.45 p.m. in Conference Room 6. The speakers will be Mr. Asghar Husain, Director of UNESCO's Unit for Cooperation with Africa (on "UNESCO's New Partnerships in Africa"); Mr. Wataru Nishigahiro, Minister, Permanent Mission of Japan to the United Nations (on the Second Tokyo International Conference on African Development (TICAD II)); Dr. Nigel Gibson, Deputy Director, Columbia University's Institute for African Studies (on "Reassessing Africa on the Verge of the 21st century"); and Mr. Daouda Touré, Senior Policy Adviser, United Nations Special Initiative on Africa (UNDP) (who will provide an overview of the Special Initiative). A discussion will follow. Emmanual Goued Njayick, Principal Economic Affairs Officer, Office of the Special Coordinator for Africa and the Least Developed Countries (OSCAL), will participate. Members of permanent missions, Secretariat staff, representatives of non-governmental organizations and the media are invited to attend.

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Informal consultations

There will be informal consultations on agenda item 38 (b) (Large-scale pelagic drift-net fishing, unauthorized fishing in zones of national jurisdiction and on the high seas, fisheries by-catch and discards, and other developments) on Tuesday, 11 November 1998, and on Thursday, 13 November, from 1.15 p.m. to 2.45 p.m. in Conference Rom A.

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Seminar

A seminar on Japan's financial crisis and the collapse of the main bank myth, organized by the Development Policy Analysis Division of the Department of Economic and Social Affairs, will take place on Monday, 16 November 1998, at 11 a.m. in Room DC2-2127. The seminar will be conducted by Dr. Mark Scher, DESA. All interested members of delegations and Secretariat staff are invited to attend. Queries: Mr. Henk-Jan Brinkman (tel.: 963-4742).

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Informal presentation

There will be an informal presentation on the theme "Governance, Public Management and Regime of Law in Developing and Transitional Countries" by Prof. Klaus König, German University for Administrative Sciences. The presentation, organized by the Division of Public Economics and Public Administration of the Department of Economic and Social Affairs, will be held on Tuesday, 17 November 1998, at 10.30 a.m. in Conference Rom A. All interested delegations and Secretariat staff are invited to attend.

SUMMARY OF MEETINGS

Monday, 2 November 1998

GENERAL ASSEMBLY

Fifty-third session

Committees

FIRST COMMITTEE — 21st meeting

Thematic discussion and introduction and consideration of draft resolutions

The representative of Myanmar introduced draft resolution A/C.1/53/L.47.

Statements were made by the representatives of India, the Islamic Republic of Iran, Pakistan and Philippines.

The representative of India introduced draft resolution A/C.1/53/L.16.

Statements were made by the representatives of China and South Africa.

The representative of Egypt introduced draft resolution A/C.1/53/L.21/Rev.1.

Statements were made by the representatives of Iraq, the Islamic Republic of Iran and Israel.

The representative of South Africa, on behalf of the Non-Aligned Movement, introduced draft resolution A/C.1/53/L.28.

The representative of South Africa, on behalf of the Non-Aligned Movement, introduced draft resolution A/C.1/53/L.25.

A statement was made by the representative of Ecuador, on behalf of the Latin American and Caribbean Group.

The representative of South Africa, on behalf of the Non-Aligned Movement, introduced draft resolution A/C.1/53/L.50.

Statements were made by the representatives of Austria, on behalf of the European Union, and Chile.

The representative of South Africa, on behalf of the Non-Aligned Movement, introduced draft resolution A/C.1/53/L.26.

The representative of South Africa, on behalf of the Non-Aligned Movement, introduced draft resolution A/C.1/53/L.27.

The representative of Canada introduced draft resolution A/C.1/53/L.22.

Statements were made by the representatives of India, Pakistan and South Africa.

The representative of Mali introduced draft resolution A/C.1/53/L.7.

The representative of Pakistan introduced draft resolution A/C.1/53/L.35.

The representative of Belarus introduced draft resolution A/C.1/53/L.23.

Statements were made by the representatives of Poland, on behalf of 12 Central and Eastern European States, and The former Yugoslav Republic of Macedonia.

Statements were made by the representative of the Philippines on draft resolutions A/C.1/53/L.48, L.45, L.10, L.37, L.22, L.13, L.33 and L.41.

A statement was made by the representative of Germany on draft resolution A/C.1/53/L.13.

Statements were made by the representative of Peru on draft resolutions A/C.1/53/L.13, L.20/Rev.1 and L.33.

A statement was made by the representative of Viet Nam on draft resolution A/C.1/53/L.47.

Statements were made by the representative of Nepal on draft resolutions A/C.1/53/L.13 and L.41.

A statement was made by the representative of Brazil, on behalf of the MERCOSUR States, on draft resolution A/C.1/53/L.20/Rev.1.

Statements were made by the representatives of the Russian Federation and South Africa on draft resolution A/C.1/53/L.49.

A statement was made by the representative of Liechtenstein on draft resolution A/C.1/53/L.44.

Tuesday, 3 November 1998

GENERAL ASSEMBLY

Fifty-third session

Committees

FIRST COMMITTEE 22nd meeting

The representative of Japan introduced revised draft resolution A/C.1/53/L.13/Rev.1.

The First Committee took action on draft resolutions.

The preambular paragraph 8 of draft resolution A/C.1/53/L.14 was adopted by 72 votes to 38, with 18 abstentions. The draft resolution as a whole was adopted by a recorded vote of 82 to 37, with 20 abstentions.

Draft resolution A/C.1/53/L.19 was adopted without a vote.

Draft resolution A/C.1/53/L.6/Rev.1 was adopted without a vote.

Draft resolution A/C.1/53/L.9 was adopted without a vote.

The Committee adopted draft resolution A/C.1/53/L.28 by 136 votes to none, with 3 abstentions.

Draft resolution A/C.1/53/L.38/Rev.1 was adopted without a vote.

Draft resolution A/C.1/53/L.41/Rev.1 was adopted without a vote.

Draft resolution A/C.1/53/L.34 was adopted without a vote.

The Committee adopted draft resolution A/C.1/53/L.35 by 129 votes to 2, with one abstention.

Wednesday, 4 November 1998

GENERAL ASSEMBLY

Fifty-third session

Committees

FIRST COMMITTEE 23rd meeting

Note: The summary of the 23rd meeting of the First Committee will appear in the next issue of the *Journal* (No. 1998/215).

Thursday, 5 November 1998

SECURITY COUNCIL

3939th meeting

The situation between Iraq and Kuwait

Letter dated 31 October 1998 from the Deputy Executive Chairman of the Special Commission established by the Secretary-General pursuant to paragraph 9 (b)(i) of Security Council resolution 687 (1991) addressed to the President of the Security Council (S/1998/1023)

Letter dated 2 November 1998 from the Executive Chairman of the Special Commission established by the Secretary-General pursuant to paragraph 9 (b)(i) of Security Council resolution 687 (1991) addressed to the President of the Security Council (S/1998/1032)

Letter dated 3 November 1998 from the Secretary-General addressed to the President of the Security Council (S/1998/1033)

The agenda was adopted without objection.

The President drew attention to the text of a draft resolution contained in document S/1998/1038, which had been submitted by Japan, the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland and the United States of America. Brazil, Costa Rica, France, Portugal, Slovenia and Sweden joined as sponsors of the draft resolution contained in document S/1998/1038.

The Council proceeded to the vote on the draft resolution before it (S/1998/1038).

Before the vote, statements were made by the representatives of Japan, France, Slovenia, the Russian Federation, Portugal, Sweden, Brazil, Kenya, Bahrain, Costa Rica, the Gambia, Gabon and China.

Decision: The draft resolution (S/1998/1038) received 15 votes in favour, none against and no abstentions, and was adopted unanimously as resolution 1205 (1998).

Following the vote, statements were made by the representative of the United Kingdom, and by the President, speaking in his capacity as the representative of the United States.

GENERAL ASSEMBLY

Fifty-third session

Committees

FIRST COMMITTEE 24th meeting

Note: The summary of the 24th meeting of the First Committee will appear in the next issue of the *Journal* (No. 1998/215).

THIRD COMMITTEE — 35th meeting

Human rights questions [110]

(b) Human rights questions, including alternative approaches for improving the effective enjoyment of human rights and fundamental freedoms

(c) Human rights situations and reports of special rapporteurs and representatives

(e) Report of the United Nations High Commissioner for Human Rights

The Committee continued its consideration of sub-items 110 (b), (c) and (e).

The Special Representative of the Secretary-General on Internally Displaced Persons, Mr. Francis Deng, made a presentation.

The representative of Austria (on behalf of the European Union) made a statement in response to the presentation of the Special Representative.

The Special Rapporteur on the Situation of Human Rights in Bosnia and Herzegovina, Croatia and the Federal Republic of Yugoslavia, Mr. Jiri Dienstbier, made a presentation.

The representatives of Austria (on behalf of the European Union), Croatia, Albania, Turkey, the United States and the Russian Federation made statements in response to the presentation of the Special Rapporteur.

The Special Representative of the Commission on Human Rights on the Situation of Human Rights in Rwanda, Mr. Michel Moussali, made a presentation.

The representatives of Austria (on behalf of the European Union), Rwanda and the United States made statements in response to the presentation of the Special Representative.

The Special Rapporteur on Torture, Mr. Nigel Rodley, made a presentation.

The representatives of Austria (on behalf of the European Union), the United States, Cuba and Denmark made statements in response to the presentation of the Special Rapporteur.

The Director, New York Office, Office of the United Nations High Commissioner for Human Rights made a presentation on behalf of the Special Rapporteur on the Situation of Human Rights in Burundi.

The representative of Burundi made a statement.

The Committee then began its general discussion of the items and heard statements by the representatives of Croatia, Kenya and Bangladesh.

36th meeting

Note: The summary of the 36th meeting of the Third Committee will appear in the next issue of the *Journal* (No. 1998/215).

SIXTH COMMITTEE — 21st and 22nd meetings

Report of the International Law Commission on the work of its fiftieth session [150]

Statements were made by the representatives of Slovenia, the Czech Republic, Bahrain, Italy, India, China, Japan, Egypt, Australia, Ukraine, Sri Lanka, Slovakia, Greece, Bosnia and Herzegovina and the Republic of Korea.

The Special Rapporteur, Prof. James Crawford, commented on the observations made by delegations on the topic concerning State responsibility.

The Chairman of the International Law Commission made a closing statement.

The Chairman of the Sixth Committee also made a statement.

The Committee thus concluded its debate on the item.

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1998 UNITED NATIONS PLEDGING CONFERENCE FOR DEVELOPMENT ACTIVITIES — 2nd meeting

Statements regarding pledges

Statements were made and pledges announced by members of the Conference.

The Secretary made a statement.

Adoption of the report

The Conference adopted the draft report contained in document A/CONF.185/L.1.

Closure of the Conference

The Director, Programme Funding Office of UNICEF, made a concluding statement.

The Deputy Executive Director of the United Nations Population Fund made a concluding statement.

The Administrator of the United Nations Development Programme made a concluding statement.

The President made concluding remarks.

The President declared the 1998 Pledging Conference for Development Activities closed.

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Covenant on Civil and Political Rights

HUMAN RIGHTS COMMITTEE
United Nations Office at Geneva
Sixty-fourth session

WEDNESDAY, 4 NOVEMBER 1998

1724th meeting

The Committee continued its consideration of the draft general comment on Article 12.

1725th (closed) meeting

The Committee considered concluding observations on the examination of State party reports in closed session.

THURSDAY, 5 NOVEMBER 1998

1726th and 1727th (closed) meetings

The Committee considered concluding observations on the examination of State party reports in closed session.

SIGNATURES, RATIFICATIONS, ETC.

[MULTILATERAL TREATIES DEPOSITED WITH THE SECRETARY-GENERAL]

Vienna Convention on Consular Relations. Vienna, 24 April 1963

Accession: Qatar (4 November 1998)*

Kyoto Protocol to the United Nations Framework Convention on Climate Change. Kyoto, 11 December 1997

Ratification: Antigua and Barbuda (3 November 1998)*

Protocol on Prohibitions or Restrictions on the Use of Mines, Booby-Traps and Other Devices as amended on 3 May 1996 (Protocol II as amended on 3 May 1996) annexed to the Convention on Prohibitions or Restrictions on the Use of Certain Conventional Weapons which may be deemed to be Excessively Injurious or to have Indiscriminate Effects. Geneva, 3 May 1996

Acceptance: China (4 November 1998)*

Additional Protocol to the Convention on Prohibitions or Restrictions on the Use of Certain Conventional Weapons which may be deemed to be Excessively Injurious or to have Indiscriminate Effects (Protocol IV, entitled Protocol on Blinding Laser Weapons). Vienna, 13 October 1995

Acceptance: China (4 November 1998)*

* Date of receipt of the relevant documents.

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